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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: PHILIPPINE COMMUNIST PARTY SURRENDERS TO GOVERN-
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1. DURING COURSE OF INTERVIEW REPORTED REFTTEL, MARCOS TOLD ME THAT MOSCOW-ORIENTED COMMUNIST PARTY OF PHILIPPINES (PKP) HAS DECIDED TO CEASE ITS SUBVERSIVE STRUGGLE AND SURRENDER TO GOVERNMENT. HE SAID ENTIRE POLITBURO WAS NOW IN GOVERNMENT CUSTODY AND ARRANGEMENTS WERE BEING MADE FOR RANK AND FILE CAPITULATION.

2. ALTHOUGH I HAD BEEN AWARE OF SOME OF THIS THROUGH INTELLIGENCE CHANNELS, I CONGRATULATED MARCOS AND TOLD HIM THAT I ASSUMED HE INTENDED TO EXPLOIT THIS EFFECTIVELY VIS-A-VIS OTHER SUBVERSIVES. HE SAID CEREMONIES WOULD BE ARRANGED IN WHICH HE WOULD EXTOL "POLICY OF ATTRACTION" WHICH WOULD EMPHASIZE THAT PKP CAME OVER TO GOVERNMENT SIDE BECAUSE OF ITS NEW SOCIAL PROGRAMS.

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3. I SUGGESTED THAT MOSCOW MAY HAVE GIVEN PKP A LITTLE

NUDGE IN THIS DIRECTION IN ORDER TO ISOLATE PEKING AS THE
SOLE SOURCE OF EXTERNAL SUPPORT FOR COMMUNIST SUBVERSIVES.
MARCOS, WHO HAD APPARENTLY NOT CONSIDERED THIS POSSIBILITY,
SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO EXAMINE HOW HE COULD USE THIS FACTOR
IN HIS NEGOTIATIONS WITH PEKING.
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